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**KYTC to hold public forums to outline goals for disadvantaged  
businesses**

*Public participation is encouraged*

FRANKFORT, Ky. (May 26, 2009) – The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) is seeking public input on proposed goals for increasing disadvantaged business involvement in highway projects.

The KYTC Office for Civil Rights and Small Business Development, which oversees the cabinet's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, will host public forums during June in each of the cabinet's 12 highway districts to explain the proposed goals and how they were established.

"The forums give the public an opportunity to participate in a dialogue about how we ensure disadvantaged businesses are represented fairly when cabinet projects are awarded," said Transportation Secretary Joe Prather. "Decisions regarding our disadvantaged business program have a broad effect and our staff attempts to clarify everything about the process through public meetings and these proposed goals."

The goals and methodology will be available for viewing on the cabinet's Web site, <http://transportation.ky.gov/OBOD>, and in the Office for Civil Rights and Small Business Development until July 15. Written comments, accepted for 15 days afterward, may be submitted to:

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Additional information is available by calling 1-800-928-3079, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EDT.

The KYTC Office for Civil Rights and Small Business Development is committed to ensuring equal employment opportunity, a diverse workforce and the promotion of equitable business opportunities throughout Kentucky.

Forums are scheduled for the following dates:

**June 1**

District 1, Paducah, 10 a.m. CDT  
5501 Kentucky Dam Rd.  
Paducah, Ky.

District 2, Madisonville, 1:30 p.m. CDT  
1840 N. Main St.  
Madisonville, Ky.

**June 2**

District 5, Louisville, 10 a.m. EDT  
8310 Westport Rd.  
Louisville, Ky. 40242

District 6, Covington, 1:30 p.m. EDT  
421 Buttermilk Pike  
Covington, Ky. 41017

**June 3**

District 7, Lexington, 9 a.m. EDT  
763 W. New Circle Rd.  
Lexington, Ky.

District 9, Flemingsburg, 2 p.m. EDT  
822 Elizaville Ave.  
Flemingsburg, Ky.

**June 5**

District 3, Bowling Green, 10 a.m. CDT  
900 Morgantown Rd.  
Bowling Green, Ky.

District 4, Elizabethtown, 2 p.m. EDT  
634 E. Dixie Highway  
Elizabethtown, Ky.

**June 8**

District 8, Somerset, 10 a.m. EDT  
1660 S. US 27  
Somerset, Ky.

District 11, Manchester, 1:30 p.m. EDT  
100 Railroad Ave.  
Manchester, Ky.

**June 9**

District 10, Jackson, 10 a.m. EDT  
473 Highway 15 South  
Jackson, Ky.

District 12, Pikeville, 1:30 p.m. EDT  
109 Loraine St.  
Pikeville, Ky.

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